CLAIMS

- 1. Operating device for the controlled swinging of a portion of a cut tree trunk, comprising at least one slot (44), characterized in that it comprises a body (10) provided with a screw thread (18), a head (12) movable in rotation relative to the body (10) and means (16) for driving the body (10) by the head (12).
- 2. Operating device for the controlled swinging of a portion of a cut tree trunk according to claim 1, characterized in that the body (10) is of conical shape.
- 3. Operating device for the controlled swinging of a portion of a cut tree trunk according to claim 1 or 2, characterized in that the drive means (16) comprise notches (26) provided in the body (10) and at least one ratchet (32) adapted to coact with these notches.
- 4. Operating device for the controlled swinging of a portion of a cut tree trunk according to any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that each ratchet (32) comprises a bevel (34).
- 5. Operating device for the controlled swinging of a portion of a cut tree trunk according to claim 4, characterized in that the ratchet (32) is connected in a support (36) disposed in the head (12) and movable between two positions 80° apart so as to be able to orient the bevel (34).

- 6. Operating device for the controlled swinging of a portion of a cut tree trunk according to claim 5, characterized in that the support (36) comprises a lever (38) for manipulating this support (36).
- 7. Operating device for the controlled swinging of a portion of a cut tree trunk according to any one of the preceding claims, characterized in that it comprises a handle (40) for gripping and manipulating secured to the
- 10 head (12).

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